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A reader's paradise

Summer Edition



Welcome to The Reading Group's magazine.
In this edition we're looking at the genre of crime and some exciting opportunities in the future.
Have a lovely summer from the team!

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Competition Winners!

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Derek Landy
Darquese takes over to kill

Isla Hogan
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First Class Murder
Robin Stevens
Friends investigate a heiress' murder

Ella-Mae Wynter
Green Community
Holes
Louis Sachar
Boy, crime, detention center, digs

Competition Time!

The Reading Group needs your help! We publish The Bookmarked Magazine to encourage reading. However, we can't do it alone so we need your help to design a poster to encourage reading!

Make sure you include all the features below to win:

- **Information on why you should read.**
- **Bright bold colours!**
- **Places where books might be available to you.**
- **Keep the message clear - reading is great!**

Everyone who sends a picture of their poster that has all the features we are looking for will have their poster displayed around school, win a special postcard and some goodies. To enter scan the QR code below: ***Deadline for entries: 11th July 2025***

Creative Writing

This piece of writing was created by a member of Mrs Robert's Creative Writing Club and was published in the 'Young Writers presents 'Mission Chaos' edition:

Madness In The Midnight

It whispers in the dark at midnight. "Nova," it says, "I can see you." Mother told me to never listen to the voices in the darkness. She says they deceive to lure you in.

"Agent Nova," the voice on my earpiece says, "keep walking."

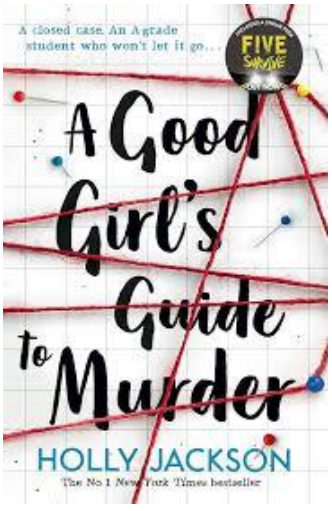
I clutch my flashlight and take a deep breath, switching it on and closing my eyes so I don't see the horrors in front of me. I trip and stumble, dropping my flashlight.

"Nova, don't open your eyes," my earpiece beeps. But I have to, nothing prepares me for the unspeakable horrors my eyes stare at.

By Ava Lanckmans (Y8)

Author of the Month

Holly Jackson, born on December 6, 1992, in Buckinghamshire, England, is a bestselling British author renowned for her gripping young adult thrillers. She gained international acclaim with her debut novel, *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*, published in 2019, which became a runaway success and the first in a trilogy that redefined teen crime fiction (which is our genre of the month this edition). Jackson's work is celebrated for its clever plotting, strong female protagonists, and realistic portrayals of modern issues. Her standalone thriller, *Five Survive*, further showcases her talent for suspense and unexpected twists. With her books translated into multiple languages and adapted for television, Jackson continues to captivate global audiences. She studied literary linguistics and creative writing at the University of Nottingham, earning both a first-class degree and a master's in English. Now residing in London, Jackson remains a fresh and compelling voice in YA literature, keeping readers guessing—and gasping—until the very last page.





Golden Tickets!

Are you an avid reader or looking for some encouragement to pick up a book? Read on if that's you!

Just like in the brilliant book ‘Charlie And The Chocolate Factory’, written by Roald Dahl, Fallibroome will be distributing 5 golden tickets in 5 books around the library.

If you are lucky enough to find the golden ticket you will need to answer a quick question on the book you have read. More information on how you can verify you have read the book and ultimately claim your prize will be on the ticket.

Do you like prizes? Bookmarked Magazine does and we want you to find one of the five golden tickets so you can win a prize.

Good Luck!
Deadline: *12th September 2025*

Genre Of The Month: Teen Crime Fiction

Book Review: *A Good Girl's Guide To Murder*

Holly Jackson's *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* is a compelling entry in the teen crime fiction genre that masterfully combines mystery, suspense and realism. The novel follows 17-year-old Pippa Fitz-Amobi as she investigates a local murder case that was supposedly solved five years ago. What begins as a school project quickly spirals into a dangerous search for the truth, revealing secrets that threaten to destroy lives.

The novel's teen crime fiction theme is particularly effective, as it places complex issues like justice, prejudice and media bias into a relatable, youthful perspective. It empowers young readers by showing that truth-seeking and critical thinking aren't just for adults. Gripping, smart, and full of twists, this book proves teen crime fiction is both thrilling and thought-provoking.

Make sure to visit the library to see the new crime fiction display!





Community Engagement

Last edition's winning communities:





Yellow & Green

Do you want to earn points for your community? Read on…

For a chance your community could be the next winners, take part in our FIVE word synopsis competition! Write a **FIVE WORD synopsis** to describe a book that you have enjoyed reading to earn **FIFTY POINTS** for your community. These will be printed in our next edition. **Entries in by: 11th July 2025**
Scan the QR code to enter:

Do you enjoy reading our magazine? Why not get involved and write a book review for us? Email Mrs Chandler at cha@fallibroome.org.uk with your name and form. A treat will be given to those who participate! Good luck and…

Thank you for reading!

"If you don't like to read, you haven't found the right book." - JK Rowling

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